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1. On 18 June 1952 a Minority Racial Group work team arrived in Nanning and from there made an inspection trip to Chinghsi (106-25, 23-09) and Chempien (105-50, 23-24). Under orders from the Minority Racial Group Affairs Committee of the Central and South China Military and Administrative Committee, this team had the primary mission of mediating the armed fight which occurred recently in the Tayaoshan (1129/3852/1472) region of Kwangsi and of assisting in minority racial group self-government work.
2. Two Yao (3852) tribes live in the Tayaoshan region. One is called the Changmao (7022/3029) Yao, which includes the Ch'ashan (5420/1472), Ao (0991), and Hualan (5363/4691) Yaos; the other is the Kuoshan (6665/1472) Yao and includes the Shantz (1472/1311) and Pan (2647) Yaos. Earlier the Kwangsi Government had sent a Minority Racial Group work team into this region to apportion the hilly land and wooded areas. This team, however, accepted bribes from the Changmao Yao and distributed the land and woods unfairly, causing great indignation among the Kuoshan Yao.
3. In mid-April the Kuoshan Yao killed two Chinese Communist cadres and attempted to take the hilly areas from the Changmao by force. There were more than ten large armed battles between the two tribes; many trees were burned, and an investigation in mid-June revealed that a total of over 900 persons had either been killed or wounded.
4. The new work team hopes to settle this dispute by eliminating the misunderstanding and varying degrees of privilege which exist among the different minority groups in the region, and by purging the cadres who have acted against the established Communist policy for minority groups. It also hopes to complete self-government

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work in two minority racial regions of Kwangsi. One of these regions comprises the hsien of Tamiaoshan (1129/5379/1472), Sanchiang (109-19, 25-20), and Lunglin (106-14, 23-09); the other comprises the hsien of Chenpien, Fangch'eng (108-23, 21-46), and Shihwantashan (108- , 22-).

25X1 Comment. According to a New China News Agency report of 4 July 1952, a second Minority Nationalities Working Conference was recently held by the Kwangsi Government to map out plans for the completion of regional autonomy in the minority racial areas within six months. Present at the conference were representatives of various nationalities from Sanchiang, Tamiaoshan, Lunglin, Chenpien, and Shihwantashan, where the autonomous regions are to be established.

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